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The way to build up Dallas is to patronize Dallas people.



THE PROSPERITY WAVE

Seldom does the second half of a calendar year open with such promise for the country as this morning. In New York City in the next few days \$147,000,000 will be distributed in dividends and interest by the big corporations centering there. A considerable addition will be made to this total by Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis and the other big centers. That \$147,000,000 which New York is to disburse is by far the largest sum which has been distributed at the beginning of a half year. The amount which was given out at the opening of January, six months ago, was \$138,000,000, which broke all records along to that time. It is presumed that the exhibits made by other business centers will also surpass all previous records by there. All this, however, has been expected, and its occurrence does not attract any special attention.

In all departments of business activity the record is high. The railroads of the country which reported for June showed a gain in gross earnings amounting to a little over 10 per cent in excess of their income in the same time in 1902. The record was equally flattering for the greater part of the half year. Every month has shown a gain over the corresponding time in 1902. It must be remembered that this gain of 10 per cent for the railroads in June over the same time in 1902 means an immense expansion, for the same roads in June last year made a gain over 1091 and 1900. The government's record, too, for the half year is good, the surplus for the entire fiscal year which ended yesterday being in the neighborhood of \$51,000,000. The output of gold thus far in 1903 is so large that a gain for the entire year over the big figures of 1902 is confidently looked for. Bank clearings also, despite the great decline in speculation as compared with a year ago, keep up to very high figures. In all the important departments of activity there is a notable expansion. The reports of gains in every department of business come as a pleasing supplement to the records of flood disaster which were frequent a few weeks ago.

Crop reports on the whole, are favorable, and these will have an important influence over the business situation in the second half of the year. Gold has been going out of the country in considerable volume in the first half of 1903, but nobody took notice of it at the time, or cared anything about it. The treasury's gold hoard is at the highest notch ever reached, and the tendency, in general, is upward. The wheat yield of 1903 will be the largest in the history of the country except in one year, and some of the authorities are figuring that that big record will be beaten. Corn, in spite of the lateness of the season, promises well. Oats, rye and hay, though below the highest record, have each made a good yield. Moreover, the commercial failures will be smaller, in the aggregate losses, than they were in 1902. More business is being done at this time than was done last year, and it is being done under better conditions. In the region commercially tributary to St. Louis the exhibit has been especially good for the half year. An indication of the expansion in that locality—Arkansas, Oklahoma, the Indian Territory and Texas—can be seen by the figures of railroad construction, which are ahead of those of the States of the rest of the country, as they also were a year ago. The half a year which has just ended was the best which the country has seen in an industrial way, and the six months which open to-day promise to improve on that record.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The big Ringling circus will be in Salem on Wednesday, August 26. We use only the very best material in our pastry and cakes. Riggs' bakery.

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Governor Chamberlain's action in commuting the sentence of William P. Peacock from death to life imprisonment is gratifying to a large number of people who have followed the case from the time when public attention was first attracted to the condition of the unfortunate cripple. The opinion of the physicians called upon by the Governor, stating unanimously that Peacock was insane and irresponsible at the time of killing Alexander S. Kerr, leaves no question as to the propriety of the Governor's action. The Governor, people, and newspapers generally have wisely distinguished this case from that of the frequent "insanity dodge," and have recognized Peacock's case as one properly calling for executive clemency.

LARGE SURPLUS ON HAND

City Treasurer's Report Shows Dallas Finances to be in Prosperous Condition.

That the finances of the city of Dallas are being well handled and managed is shown by the fact that the cash balance in the treasury for the year ending July 31 is larger than at any like time in the last ten or fifteen years, or probably in the history of the town. The report of City Treasurer W. G. Vassall, submitted to the council Monday evening, shows that the amount on hand August 1, after paying all outstanding warrants, was over \$1500. The balance has been growing steadily for the past two years, notwithstanding the fact that a large amount of money has been spent for improvements during that time. Councilman A. B. Muir's plan Monday evening to set aside \$500 of this surplus toward the payment of the City Hall debt of \$2500 met the approval of every member of the board, and it is probable that this amount will be loaned to help offset the interest on the Hall bonds. It is believed by the council that if a sinking fund is created now the annual interest paid by the city will be materially reduced, and that there will be ample funds on hand to pay off the bonds when the same fall due three years hence.

Mayor Hayter presided over the session of the council, which lasted until 10:30 o'clock. The councilmen present were Bell, Cosper, Muir and Fuller; absent, Williams, Shaw and Bools.

The quarterly reports of the Marshal, Auditor and Treasurer were read and referred to the Finance Committee. The receipts for the quarter in all three offices were heavy.

Claims against the city were allowed as follows:

M. D. Coulter, sprinkling streets \$6.00
C. A. Black, hauling gravel..... 5.40
J. J. Williams, salary..... 13.85
J. E. Richter, labor..... 2.25
Wm. Kersey, labor..... 1.50
J. M. Grant, salary and fees..... 36.00
M. D. Ellis, electric lights..... 129.15

An ordinance to amend the saloon license ordinance was read first time. This amendment provides that all licenses shall be paid for a period of six months instead of three months as at present, and that the penalty for violating certain provisions of the ordinance, such as selling liquor to minors, or permitting minors to frequent a saloon, shall be increased to a forfeiture of license.

Councilman Muir brought up the matter of setting aside \$500 of the general fund of the city to the City Hall fund, and on motion of Councilman Cosper the finance committee was instructed to ascertain the rate of interest that can be had for this sum for a period of three years.

An ordinance providing for the construction of a new sidewalk on the south and west side of the M. E. Church property was ordered drawn. The Auditor was instructed to notify E. B. Tuttle, D. J. Riley, M. E. Church South, Adventist Church and Mrs. Mary Savage that the council will sit August 17, at 7:30 o'clock to hear and determine objections and remonstrances to the building of certain sidewalk adjoining their respective premises.

The Street Commissioner was ordered to notify the trustees of the Christian Church to repair the walks around the church property by replacing all broken planks.

The next meeting of the council will be held Monday, August 17.

WILL GO TO WASHINGTON

E. S. Piper Elected a Delegate to Railway Mail Clerks' Convention.

E. S. Piper, mail agent on the Dallas-Portland passenger train, has been elected a delegate to the 28th annual convention of the U. S. Railway Mail Service Mutual Benefit Association, to be held in Washington, D. C., on September 15.

The election is one of considerable importance, when the fact is taken into consideration that the district from which Mr. Piper is elected embraces all the territory in the United States west of the Rocky mountains, and also Alaska and the Hawaiian Islands. There are only two delegates from this district—Mr. Piper and a gentleman from Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Piper will leave for Washington early in September, and, after the adjournment of the convention, will make an extended tour of the Eastern States.

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Marriage is very largely an accident. In few cases do men or women set up a standard of manly or womanly excellence and choose by it. In most cases people become engaged as the result of propinquity rather than because of any deep rooted preference.

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COURT HOUSE NOTES

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Alex Courter et ux to C E Dill et ux, tract in Block M, lot 3, Falls City, \$75.

Corabel E White to Elizabeth P Starbuck, 220 acres, 1/4 s, 1/4 w, \$250.

Nancy and I Claggett to G A Sperling, east one-half lots 5 and 6, block 1, Hill's Independence, \$600.

George Claggett et ux to G A Sperling, tract in lots 5 and 6, block 1, Hill's Independence, \$600.

J G VanOradel et ux to W C McClure, 160 acres, 1/4 s, 1/4 w, \$1.

H W Bancroft et ux to W C McClure, 160 acres, 1/4 s, 1/4 w, \$2500.

Lucy L Whiteaker to Asa B Taylor, tracts in Hill's Independence, \$1.

Elbert A Mann et ux to J W Hodson, 240 acres, 1/4 s, 1/4 w, \$9000.

W O Hembree et ux to W N Boots, part of lot 4, block 11, Monmouth, \$250.

U S Grant et ux to Thomas Elliott, 20 by 72 feet, block 14, Dallas, \$30.

Wm Elliott et ux to Thomas Elliott, lot C, block 14, Miller's LaCreole Hd add to Dallas, \$5.

Thomas Elliott et ux to J W Crider, 20 by 72 feet, block 14, Dallas; also, lot C, block 14, Miller's LaCreole Hd add to Dallas, \$500.

D P Stouffer et ux to H V Gates, north one-half lots B and C, block 9, Miller's LaCreole Hd add to Dallas, \$150.

N I Patterson to J W Crider, 5.50 acres, 1/4 s, 1/4 w, \$50.

J J and F O Kau to H H and C L McSherry, 160 acres, 1/4 s, 1/4 w, \$1000.

O C R R Co to Louis Gerlinger, 80 acres, 1/4 s, 1/4 w, \$300.

Lucy L Whiteaker, administratrix, to Asa B Taylor, tracts in Hill's Independence, \$1200.

Salem Improvement Company to C K Bentley, lots 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, block B, West Salem, \$190.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

In the matter of appointing road supervisors—it is ordered that all persons now acting in the capacity of road supervisors be appointed to fill such positions until the January term, 1904, and that the Road Master now acting hold his position until such time, and that new bonds be given.

Bids for the repair of the Flannery bridge were received as follows:

C F Royal & Son.....\$215.00
L E Braley..... 198.00
Ira Mehrling..... 164.00

The bid of Ira Mehrling was accepted.

CLAIMS ALLOWED

A W Dockstender, road acct.....\$ 39.60

R Brunk, same..... 8.00

W E Martin, same..... 30.33

Williams & Gosser, same..... 3.75

J B Nunn, jurymen..... 2.80

Glass & Prindhomme, supplies..... 84.83

T J Butler, courthouse acct..... 4.00

Mrs F M Collins, circuit court..... 29.55

A D Pottjohn, bridge acct..... 1.25

Western Clay Co., supplies..... 19.30

L E Braley, bridge acct..... 198.00

C F Royal & Son, same..... 620.00

Fred Hebbding, mdse..... 7.50

M D Ellis, electric lights..... 15.00

W F Nichols, salary..... 65.00

E V Dalton, same..... 62.60

Milo Woods, same..... 40.00

C L Starr, same..... 83.33

D G Meador, pauper acct..... 8.00

Mrs M A Brown, same..... 2.50

Guy Bros., mdse..... 5.15

C G Coad, postages..... 21.30

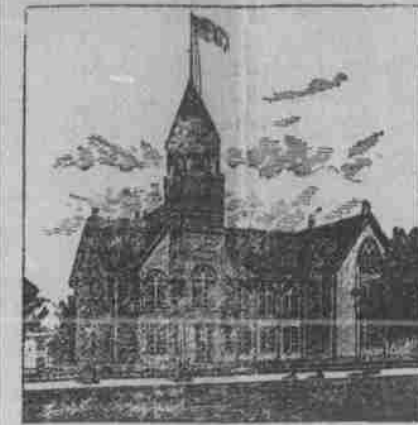
Enterprise, publishing..... 1.00

Craven & Sons, supplies..... 2.21

F S Wilson, pauper acct..... 6.00

Mrs M A Tetherow, same..... 7.00

J T Ford, salary and expense..... 138.23



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J A Tate, road acct..... 29.75
L D Daniel, painting..... 108.00
C F Royal & Son, road acct..... 103.00
V O Boots, insurance..... 96.00
T B Huntley, road acct..... 583.06
G A R Post, indigent soldiers..... 30.00
H L Venzle, road acct..... 2.07
R R Riggs, same..... 63.25

Obituary.

Mrs. Eliza M. Critchlow died at the home of her son David Critchlow, in Dallas, Thursday, July 23, 1903. Her maiden name was Eliza Galbreath, and she was born in Freeport, Pa., April 26, 1816. She lived 18 years in Indiana, 5 years in Kansas, and 1 year in California. The family came from Kansas to Oregon in 1877. She was married to Joseph Critchlow on April 6, 1837. This union was blessed with six sons and two daughters. The husband, one son and two daughters preceded her to the grave. The surviving children are: Robert Critchlow, of Baker City, Oregon; Benjamin Critchlow, of San Jose, California; Samuel Critchlow, of Cottage Grove, Oregon; William Critchlow, of Airline, Oregon; and David Critchlow, of Dallas, Oregon. Mrs. Critchlow was converted to the Christian faith at the age of 18 years, and united with the Baptist church. She remained a steadfast Christian to the day of her death, her faith and joy in the Lord being the means of great grace not only to herself, but to those who cared for and visited her. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. A. Winter, and interment took place in the Smith cemetery near Lewisville.

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